Telephone facilities in New Bombay

*75. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, in view of the gradual shifting of some economic activities from Bombay to New Bombay, the telephone communication system is being enlarged in New Bombay;

(b) if so, what schemes have been drawn up for improving local dialling system, provision of new telephone exchanges, telephone cables, ducts etc. in New Bombay; and

(c) the progress made so far in respect of the above works?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BIR BAHADUR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Comprehensive development plan for improving telephone services within New Bombay, from New Bombay to Bombay and other places has been drawn up and depending upon the supply position of the digital switching equipment from M/s. I.T.I. Mankapur, this programme is being implemented. The development programme is an integrated one which includes installation of telephone exchange, laying of under ground cable ducts and telephone cables, subscriber's fittings, etc. These components of the development plan are given in Annexure which is laid on the Table of the House. [*See* Appendix CXLIX Annexure No. 16].

Report on D.V.C.

*76. DR. R.K. PODDAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state

(a) whether the official sub-committee, set up to go into the performance of DVC, has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, what are the detials thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) No official Sub-Committee has been set up by the Government to go into the performance of Damodar Valley Corporation.

(b) does not arise.

Price Decontrol on bulk drugs

*77. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news item which appared in the Economic Times on 16th January, 1989, under the heading "Kelkar Panel for lifting price control on 13 drugs";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Kelkar Committee recommended for price decontrol of around 30 bulk drugs on the representations of Members of Parliament on the grounds of neligible sales turnover;

(c) is so, what are the names of those drugs;

(d) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has decontrolled some more drugs having substantial turnover, apart from these 30 drugs; and

(e) if so, what are the names of those drugs?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (e) The term of the Committee for identification of Cate-gory-II drugs (called Kelkar Committee) was extended after the notification of DPCO, 1987, for review-